

STEERING, LEGISLATIVE & GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

May 5, 2014

5:30 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Jack Black
Commissioner Gary Farley
Commissioner Trey Gooch
Commissioner Jeff Jordan
Commissioner Allen McAdoo
Commissioner Steve Sandlin
Commissioner Adam Coggin, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess Rob Mitchell
Laura Bohling John Barbee
Becky Shelton

Chairman Coggin presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with six members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Gooch moved, seconded by Commissioner Farley, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as mailed. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

FILL ALTERNATE VACANCY ON EQUALIZATION BOARD:

Chairman Coggin advised an application had been received from John Barbee for appointment to the alternate position on the Equalization Board. Mr. Barbee was present and addressed the Committee.

"Commissioner Farley moved, seconded by Commissioner J. Jordan, to recommend appointment of John Barbee to the alternate position on the Equalization Board. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

FILL CITIZEN VACANCY ON EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT BOARD:

Chairman Coggin advised an application had been received from John D. Hood for appointment to the Emergency Communications District Board. Following discussion,

"Commissioner J. Jordan moved, seconded by Commissioner McAdoo, to recommend appointment of John D. Hood to the Emergency Communications District Board. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

ANNOUNCE SIX (6) VACANCIES ON BOARD OF HEALTH:

Chairman Coggin advised the positions of Tammy Adams, M.D., James Garner, M.D., Ronald Wright, D.D.S., Chad Mills, Pharmacist, Judy Campbell, R.N. and Charles Kinard, D.V.M. on the Board of Health were expiring and accordingly being announced.

ANNOUNCE THREE VACANCIES ON LINEBAUGH LIBRARY BOARD:

Chairman Coggin advised the positions of Christie Lee, Nell Blankenship and Kari Sostrom on the Linebaugh Library Board were expiring and accordingly being announced.

ANNOUNCE VACANCY ON STONES RIVER REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD:

Chairman Coggin advised the position of Nell Blankenship on the Stones River Regional Library Board was expiring and accordingly being announced.

RESOLUTION REGARDING PRIVILEGE TAX ON LITIGATION IN ALL CIVIL &
CRIMINAL CASES TO BE LEVIED IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25.00
PER CASE, TO BE USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR COURTHOUSE SECURITY:

Laura Bohling, Circuit Court Clerk, addressed the Committee providing a proposed Resolution regarding the privilege tax on litigation in all civil and criminal cases to be levied in an amount not to exceed \$25 per case and to be used exclusively for Courthouse security advising the tax is already in place and has been charged since 2008 but the proposed Resolution cleans up verbiage from the original Resolution. The amount being collected is not changing. The proposed Resolution clears up the original Resolution to make accurate with supporting references. Mayor Burgess advised Ms. Bohling had an internal audit to determine her fees were accurate and had appropriate documentation authorizing the fees which resulted in the proposed Resolution. This privilege tax requires legislative authority to charge and may be applicable on up to 50,000 cases per year but the amount collected is dependent on a defendant paying their costs. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Farley moved, seconded by Commissioner McAdoo, to approve the Resolution as presented regarding the privilege tax on litigation in all civil and criminal cases. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Coggin declared the meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

ADAM COGGIN, Chairman